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Rural Carriers Reports.

During the month of April the rural mail carriers throughout the United States had to keep an exact record of every piece of first, second, third, and fourth class mail delivered and collected, also pieces of penalty mail, the weight of each different class of mail, the value of postage stamps on all classes of mail collected and delivered, and other information which the department requires to know the amount of business the carriers have on the different routes.

Following will be found a few of the figures for the month of the three Elgin carriers. First class mail includes letters and cards; second class mostly newspapers; third class mostly circulars and advertisements; fourth class parcel post packages.

Mail Delivered.			
Class	Pieces on routes.		
	R.1	R.2	R.3
1st	872	622	516
2nd	3655	3555	2218
3rd	407	368	367
4th	102	105	66
Total	5162	4714	3185
Mail Collected.			
1st	572	465	347
2nd	none	5	8
3rd	2	2	none
4th	15	9	6
Total	590	484	356

Total weight of mail delivered on route 1 was 695 lbs. 3 oz.; total weight collected, 33 lbs. 6 oz.

Total weight of mail delivered on route 2 was 616 lbs. 10 oz.; total weight collected 42 lbs. 10 oz.

Total weight of mail delivered on route 3 was 374 lbs. 1 oz.; to-

tal weight collected 10 lbs. 12 oz.

Change In Service.

A new mail service went into effect last Sunday when the change in the Frisco time table was made. No. 10 now due in Elgin at 8:58 a. m. has on a mail clerk and will carry mail to all points east, every day and Sunday.

No. 112 now due here at 4:00 p. m., does not have any mail clerk on, so one locked pouch will be put on it in Elgin for Chickasha and one locked pouch put on it for Oklahoma City to be thrown off by the express agent when the train reaches those cities. No pouches will be put on this train on Sundays.

The west bound service is the same as it was, regular mail clerk on No. 9 due here at 12:35 p. m. and two locked pouches on the night train due here at 9:19 p. m. one of these from Oklahoma City and the other from Chickasha. There is no mail on the night train on Sundays.

Frisco Table.

The new time table which went into effect on the Frisco is as follows for Elgin.

The east bound trains, No. 10 due 8:58 a. m.; No. 112 due 4:00 p. m.

The west bound train, No. 9 due 12:35 p. m. and No. 407 due 9:17 p. m.

A person going to Lawton on the 12:35 p. m. train will have two hours and ten minutes there before returning on the train due in Elgin at 4:00 p. m. The new schedule will be a decided improvement over the old one for both the mail and the passenger service.

Mrs. Ella May Groves.

Mrs. Ella May Groves of Drumright, Okla. died in the hospital there early Sunday morning after a few hours dangerous illness with blood poison, aged 26 years and 12 days. The remains were brought to Fletcher on Monday and taken to the home of her father, W. C. Hunt, where funeral services were conducted by Rev. D. L. Hinchley at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, after which the body was laid to rest in the Elgin cemetery.

She had been in poor health for about three years and physicians had advised an operation, to which she would not consent until a short time before she died. She was then taken to the hospital but it was found that her heart action was not strong enough to permit the operation. She was resting and waiting to gain strength and ate a rather hearty meal Saturday evening but took suddenly worse near midnight and lived only a few hours.

Ella May Hunt was born April 20, 1889. She was converted at the age of 13 years and united with the Methodist church South at Shawnee. In November, 1904, she was united in marriage with Alva Groves at Lawton, who with two sons, Olen and Glen, aged 7 and 9, survives her. She is also survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hunt, one sister, Mrs. H. E. Parry of Shawnee, and five brothers, Nuck and Bail Hunt of Shawnee and Shay, Will and Frank of near Elgin.

All were present at the funeral but Mrs. Parry and Bail Hunt of Shawnee, who were unable to attend, the former on account of sickness.

Boys Defeated.

Quite a number of our citizens went to Geronimo Friday evening to see the basketball game between the High school teams of that place and of Elgin. The score was 8 to 20 in favor of Geronimo. Those who went from here were:

W. W. Brunskill, J. H. Willhite, Frank Wolcott, Thos. Hayes, Ewell Byrd, Jim Hagle, Delbert Cline, Elmer and Ernest Kitsmiller, Scott Walling, Claude Wiggins, Perley Bennett, Harold and Orange Putney, Columbus Price, C. M. Wolcott, Mrs. Columbus Price, Nona Hayes, Dott Wolcott, Grada Walling and Linda Crawford.

Struck By Lightning.

There was quite an electrical display and storm in Elgin about 9 o'clock Saturday evening. It first rained, then hailed, then blew a gale, the lightning flashing keenly during it all.

One bolt of lightning struck the residence of Mrs. Addie Gremer, in the east part of town though little damage was done. The stove pipe was all knocked off one stove, soot thrown over the house and some shingles torn from the roof.

The family with some neighbors were in the cave at the time and they state that lightning also entered the cave door.

Weather Forecast.

For the week beginning Wednesday, May 5, issued by the U. S. weather Bureau, Washington, D. C.

For West Gulf States, including Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas: Showery weather early in the week will be followed by generally fair weather for four or five days. The temperature will be seasonable.

Union Meeting.

There will be a union meeting at the Methodist church tomorrow evening, May 6, commencing at 8 o'clock, to which all are invited. S. A. Smith, a representative of the Oklahoma Anti-Saloon League, will be present to address the audience. Remember the date and place.

See H. P. Wettengel for insurance, farm loans, real estate, Indiana silos and notary work.

Elgin Representatives.

Those who will represent our school at Lawton next Friday and Saturday are:

Intellectual.

Spelling—Miss Inez Wiggins and Wendell Wettengel.
Piano—Miss Hallie King.
Voice—Miss Dott Wolcott.
Girls Reading—Miss Lorene Wolcott.
Debate—Waldo Wettengel.
Boys Original Oration—Scott Walling.
Childs' Story Telling—Wendell Wettengel.
Violin—Waldo Wettengel, Miss Blanche Calyer, accompanist.
Athletics.

100 yard dash—Ernest Kitsmiller and Harold Putney.
220 yard dash—Ernest Kitsmiller and Scott Walling.
440 yard dash—Scott Walling and Delbert Cline.
880 yard dash—Scott Walling and Delbert Cline.
Pole Vault—Harold Putney and James Hagle.
Shot Put—James Hagle and Elmer Kitsmiller.

Running High Jump—Delbert Cline and James Hagle.
Running Broad Jump—James Hagle and Ernest Kitsmiller.
Standing Broad Jump—Ernest Kitsmiller.

Standing High Jump—James Hagle.
Relay Race, enter six and run 4—Scott Walling, James Hagle, Ernest Kitsmiller, Harold Putney, Delbert Cline and Elmer Kitsmiller.

Tennis—James Hagle and Don Brunskill.
The spelling contest will be at 2 p. m. Friday and some ball games at 4 p. m. The singing, reading, violin, story telling, debate, etc., will be Friday night, and the track events Saturday.

Struggled In Water.

About 4 o'clock last Wednesday afternoon as Jess Ballou was riding a young horse from Lawton to the home of his uncle near the Stony Point school house, he had an unpleasant experience while crossing Medicine creek near Ft. Sill at the same crossing that the star route carrier had a horse drowned two days before.

The water was still up and running over the cement crossing and as he was riding over it the horse jumped to one side off the crossing and landed in the water, but as luck happened the jump was upstream. The horse floundered in the water, while Jess dismounted and with a firm hold on the horse's tail the two succeeded in reaching shore.

Sterling Star Class.

Sunday morning the members of the Elgin Methodist Sunday school were surprised when 18 young people, having on them ribbon badges containing the words, "Sterling Star Class" walked into the church.

They remained for the preaching service and when they were invited to dinner they replied that they had brought their dinners with them and would return to the iron bridge over the creek to eat them.

One of the number stated that that was not all of the class in the Methodist Sunday school there, as they had 42 members on their class roll. Come again, Sterling, you are welcome.

Benjamin C. Palmer.

Benjamin C. Palmer died suddenly at his home in the Beaver Bend neighborhood last Wednesday. He had not been sick until a short time before his death which was caused from acute indigestion. He was born in New York state March 12, 1844 being 71 years and 16 days old. He leaves to mourn his death, his wife and an adopted daughter, Ethel. The funeral took place at the home last Thursday at two o'clock, Rev. D. L. Hinchley officiating. Interment at the Letitia cemetery.

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Broke Into Depot.

About 10 o'clock Friday night after J. Fitzgerald had retired, he remembered that he had left some papers at the depot which he had intended to take home with him and arose, dressed and went after them. A freight stood on the south track and he crossed where it had been uncoupled for the crossing, going east on the north side of the track.

Soon after crossing the track he heard somebody tearing the screen from the north window, then heard a noise and an old ink bottle fall from the window sill. As he approached the depot one fellow remaining on the outside whistled and the one inside made a hurried getaway. He had been to the money drawer and opened it but found nothing. He was using a dim light.

They had used a crow bar to pry the window up, breaking the sash lock. One stood on guard while the other was inside and they disappeared without being identified.

Bids On Hay.

Sealed proposals in triplicate, subject to the usual conditions will be received and opened at Ft. Sill at 10 a. m. June 10, 1915, in presence of bidders, for cutting, baling and delivering to such store house or sheds as the quartermaster may decide, 4,332,000 pounds of feeding hay and 1,243,000 pounds of bedding hay to be cut on the reservation.

Further detailed particulars in regard to the conditions and place to cut hay will be found in the lobby of the Elgin postoffice.

Town Board Organizes.

The new town board held its first monthly meeting in the Bank of Elgin Monday evening and organized by electing W. W. Brunskill as chairman of the board.

Thos. E. Bills was appointed as town marshal with instructions to enforce the stock law, so everybody had better look a little bit out as it will cost you a dollar per head if the marshal get them.

And when you stake stock out be sure that you stake them so that they cannot get into the street as they are liable to be taken by the marshal even if they be tied, and do not tie horses or other live stock to shade trees or where they can destroy trees, as the marshal will get them.

E. West was appointed street commissioner and he no doubt will put the Elgin streets in good condition.

Now if the marshal and street commissioner will both do their duty a great improvement can be made in the looks of the town and in the condition of the trees and streets.

On The Elgin Routes.

Chas. Owens of the Star route left Friday for Elizabeth, La., where he will remain.

Mrs. Tom Sperling of route 2 has been ill with the small pox.

The school at Cannon Hill on route 1, taught by Miss Sarah McAnaw, closed Friday and in honor of the occasion a fine program was rendered in the evening.

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